

WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMISSION South Florida Water Management District Water Resources Advisory Commission Issues Workshop



Meeting Minutes

Lower East Coast Water Supply Plan Update

South Florida Regional Planning Council 3440 Hollywood Boulevard Hollywood, FL 33021

Wednesday, June 21, 2006 9:30 am -12:00 am

There Will Be Opportunities for Public Comment after Each Presentation

9:30	1.	Welcome, Irela Bagué, Governing Board Member
		Thank you all for coming and welcome; after reviewing all the projects that have been submitted we know that we don't have enough water to meet our 20 year demand. We have been working with DEP and discussing our deadline for July 12. The deadline will be extended to July 14 to accommodate those municipalities who have not submitted their projects. We will meet again in early August. For the utilities that do not submit their projects to meet our deadline, we will propose the project for them. We appreciate your participation.
		Jim Reynolds – Are those municipalities the ones responsible for the delay? Can the District help with deadlines?
		Irela Bague - Our staff is limited and we will help as much as we can.
9:45	2.	Plan Update Process, John Mulliken, Division Director, Water Supply Planning
		Questions and Answers:
		Jim Reynolds – Will the District use this plan to prioritize the projects?
		John Mulliken - Yes, 80 percent of the money will go to projects in the plan.

Q: When are you having the draft plan available? Will you notify people? How much detail will be in the plan? How flexible is the funding? What part will go into reservations? The AWS funding, are we facing that every year? How many utilities for Miami? How will the lake schedule affect LEC water supply? Any discussion on safe yields? In the supplemental plan, will there be information on projects? Do you expect the 10-year plan to change? Is DCA looking at a population projection? Are you looking to review per capita demand? Preferred against uniformed rate? What is the impact this plan will have on the utility rates? It looks like it will be a significant rate hike.

A: Early June we will have the draft posted, we want to be done by the end of June. We will email people that attend our meetings. This will be a draft plan. The final plan will be a list of every project that has been presented. We have recommended a yearly process to update the project list. There will be flexibility for reviews for the next three years. The reservations will be discussed in the plan. The funding is subject to appropriation and we have to work together to keep the funding flowing. There are five utilities for Miami-Dade County. With the new regulations from the CORPS, the ability to deliver water from Lake Okeechobee doesn't look good. We advise you to stay on the AWS process. The plan will have a schedule as proposed for each utility but we won't have the capacity to track the utilities moment by moment, plus we will provide an annual report. We are using the BEBR projections. It does not appear consistent, if you have a question on the per capita. The plan itself addresses finished and raw water, We, at the District can not come up with a per capita number, in the regulatory process when we see a 200mpg per capita it raises a red flag and we will review. Bruce Adams is holding workshop regarding preferred against uniformed rate. We will not have the ability to monitor utility rates.

Bague – We were successful in funding 80 projects and it will benefit to continue the funding.

10:00

3. Discussion of Draft 2005-2006 Lower East Coast Water Supply Plan Update, Barbara Powell, LEC Plan Manager, Water Supply Planning

Questions and Answers:

Q: How are you showing ASR on you projections?

A: We are still trying to define Stormwater ASR to be used at peek hours and ASR for potable water use. Miami Dade numbers are not included.

11:00

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